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REPLY TO WRITTEN OPINION

In reply to the Written Opinion mailed 31 August 2000, please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend claim 22 as follows.

22. (Amended) A method for preventing a bacterial cell from participating in formation of a biofilm on a surface, said method comprising a step selected from the group consisting of: inhibiting the synthesis or function of a *sad* polypeptide; inhibiting